

SENATE BILL 2189

By Overbey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 6, relative to revenue for certain computer related expenses of law enforcement agencies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-601, is amended by adding the following as new subsection (f):

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(1) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, upon the adoption of a resolution by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the legislative body of a county or municipality, a privilege tax on litigation on all civil and criminal cases may be levied in an amount not to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per case, to be used for the purpose of obtaining and maintaining software and hardware associated with collecting, receiving and maintaining records for law enforcement agencies including county sheriff offices, jails, and municipal or metropolitan police departments. This project may include computerizing agency operations, replacing existing systems with high technology systems that collect and share data on criminal activity and historical data with other law enforcement agencies, including fusion centers, and collecting and sharing biometric information for positive criminal or inmate identification. New or replacement systems shall incorporate modern software concepts and architecture, which shall include an n-tier architecture, source code compliant with object-oriented programming concepts, and the use of a relational database management system for data storage.

(2) Any tax levy adopted under subdivision (f)(1) shall only be effective until such time as all expenses for the purchase, installation, training, maintenance, and associated costs for the project described in subdivision (f)(1) have been paid, or until such time as the debt for such project has been retired.

(3) For the purposes of this subsection (f), debt includes principal, interest, origination costs and related expenses, as well as any debt issued for the purposes of refinancing the original indebtedness.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to all such civil or criminal cases instituted on or after such date.